



State Revolving Fund Loan Programs

Drinking Water, Wastewater, Nonpoint Source

PRELIMINARY DECISION OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

City of Martinsville
STATE REVOLVING FUND PROJECT: DW 102 221 01
GAC Filter Improvements

Date: December 19, 2007

Pursuant to IC 4-4-11, the State Revolving Fund Loan Program (SRF) has determined that the GAC (Granular Activated Carbon) Filter Improvement Project described here will have no substantial negative environmental impact; therefore, the SRF is issuing a preliminary decision of Categorical Exclusion from the requirements of substantive environmental review and a Finding of No Significant Environmental Impact for the project.

How were environmental issues considered?

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies disbursing Federal funds to include environmental factors in the decision making process. A summary of the project is attached for your review. SRF's preliminary review has found that the proposed project does not require the preparation of either an Environmental Assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Why is additional environmental review not required?

Our environmental review has concluded that significant environmental impacts will not result from the proposed action.

How do I submit comments?

Any comments can be submitted:

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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

I. PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

Project Name and Address: City of Martinsville
Drinking Water System Improvements
PER Amendment
GAC Filter Improvements
P.O. Box 1415
Martinsville, IN 46151

SRF Project Number: DW 102221 01

Authorized Representative: The Honorable Shannon Buskirk, Mayor
City of Martinsville

II. PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project improvement is within the City of Martinsville, located in the USGS Martinsville Quadrangle, Washington Township. The project is located at the utility's Pump Station #3, 402 West Cunningham Street.

III. PROJECT NEED AND PURPOSE

The Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filtration system and other improvements were installed under an emergency condition because the City's well aquifer system had been contaminated with PCE (Perchloroethylene). Treated drinking water is now below the MCL for PCE and meets state and federal requirements.

There are no feasible alternatives to the proposed action. The "no-action" alternative was rejected, since that alternative would not address the emergency condition of reducing the PCE MCL levels below the state and federal requirements.

IV. PROJECT COSTS, AFFORDABILITY AND FUNDING

The construction costs for the GAC Filter Improvements is \$1,121,033.90 with non-construction costs for engineering, legal, and financial of \$139,052.08 for a total project cost of \$1,260,085.98. These project costs have been paid for by the City of Martinsville through a bond anticipation note (BAN) and will be incorporated into their total SRF loan amount.

Martinsville will borrow \$9,865,000 for a total loan that includes this project and other projects previously approved on August 7, 2007, at a fixed interest rate to be determined at loan closing; the loan term is no more than 20-years. Monthly user rates and charges may need to be analyzed to determine if any adjustments are required for repayment of the SRF loan

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF THE FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES

The project was constructed on a previously disturbed site where the existing Pump Station #3 is located. Therefore, it is determined that there were no significant environmental impacts. Our finding pursuant to Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act is: "no historic properties affected."

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A properly notified public hearing was conducted by the City during the approval process of the BAN.